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REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Refund Request Re: Patent Application number 10/086,220

Filing Date: 02/28/2002 Name of Applicant: Tom Kusic

Invention Title: Tandem powered power tilting aircraft

When application number 10/086,220 was filed it contained 89 claims, 9 of which were independent claims. However, on filing, some claim numbers were repeated and the fee that I paid was based on 85 claims.

The total fee paid on filing the application was \$1,347. Of the \$1,347, \$370 was for the basic filing fee, \$585 was for 65 claims in excess of the 20 claims covered by the basic filing fee, \$252 was for 6 independent claims in excess of the 3 independent claims covered by the basis filing fee and \$140 was for

The initial filing receipt mailed 03/22/2002 indicated that the application contained 89 claims, and that the filing fee of \$1,347 had been received. A subsequent replacement filing receipt mailed 04/03/2002 showed a total filing fee of \$1,383, which would have covered the extra four claims not paid for on initial filing. Copies of these receipts are attached.

The examiner to whom the application was allocated for examination insisted that a species be elected for prosecution, based on drawings in the application. A species was elected and as a result only claims 4, 5 and 6 were examined by the examiner. Claim 4 was an independent claim, and claims 5 and 6 were dependent on claim 4 only. All of the other claims, 1 to 3, and 7 to 89 were withdrawn from consideration since they were directed to a species that was not elected for prosecution.

Since the examiner insisted on species election, and as a result managed to have the claims that did not related to the elected species withdrawn from consideration, I believe that the balance of the fee paid over the basic filing fee should be refunded to me and accordingly request a refund of at least \$977, being the fee paid on filing, \$1,347, less the basic basic filing fee of \$370. I couldn't find a copy of a check for the payment of the additional \$36, but if USPTO records confirm the additional fee of \$36, I would appreciate it if the additional amount of \$36 could be added to the refund, making a total refund

Yours sincerely,

Tom Kusic

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